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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on November 24, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

The amendment does not include the text of all pending claims. Withdrawn claims are pending claims and must be reproduced. See 37 CFR 1.111 and attachment.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE**(1) **MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Customer Service Office whose telephone number is 703-306-5648.

Any inquiry relating to patent applications in general should be directed to the Patent Assistance Center at 1-800-786-9199.

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REVISED AMENDMENT PRACTICE HIGHLIGHTS Technical Support Staff

Requirements of the revised amendment practice of the final rule for all amendments filed on or after July 30, 2003 :

- 1. Each amendment section must begin on a separate sheet
- 2. A <u>separate "clean" version</u> of a currently amended paragraph or claim is NO LONGER REQUIRED (except for a <u>substitute</u> specification see No. 5 below)
- 3. If the amendment adds, changes, or deletes any claim, a <u>listing of all</u> <u>claims</u> that are, or were, in the application, must be provided as follows:
 - The claims must be listed in ascending numerical order
 - The <u>text of all pending claims including withdrawn claims must</u> be presented; no text for "canceled" or "not entered" claims
 - A <u>status identifier</u> must be presented in parentheses after the claim number for each claim; only the following identifiers are permitted: (original), (currently amended), (canceled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), and (not entered)
 - All "currently amended" claims must have <u>markings</u> to show changes; the only markings permitted are underlining for added matter, strikethrough and double brackets [[]] (for five or fewer characters) for deleted matter
 - Grouping of consecutive "canceled" or "not entered" claims permitted (e.g., claims 2-8 (canceled))
- 4. Upon receipt of a complete listing of all claims, LIEs should cancel all previous versions of claims in the application by drawing a line through the previous versions of claims
- 5. Amendments to the specification by <u>marked-up replacement</u> <u>paragraphs or sections only</u> no clean replacement paragraph or section is required; <u>NO</u> replacement <u>sheets</u> permitted
 - Note, however, that for <u>substitute</u> specifications, rule 1.125 continues to require both a clean and marked-up copy
- 6. <u>Drawing changes</u> without markings clean replacement drawing sheets only annotated sheet(s) showing changes may be submitted
 - Explanation separately provided